

The Minister's Tartan.
Every clan of Scottish highlanders had its own tartan, or striped colored cloth, of which the kilt and plaid were made. It is not so well known, however, that the clergy of the highlanders down to a recent date used a tartan for their weekday dress. The tartan of the clergy, as it was called, was a sober cloth of white, black and gray stripes. Ministers who did not care to don the kilt almost always wore the plaid or mantle of this material. In the eighteenth century when the highlanders seldom went unarmed it was the custom of some clergymen to wear swords even at church and to be accompanied by a gillie, or servant, carrying a bow and sheath of arrows. Nothing could better illustrate the distance of those times than this practice on the part of the men who were pre-eminently preachers of peace and universal good will.—Scotsman.

Old English Pence.
Halfpence and farthings were not coined in England before the time of Edward I., and until they were the penny, which was then made of silver, was issued deeply indented with a cross in order that it might be broken into two pieces for halfpennies or into four things, or farthings. The silver penny was the first coin of the Anglo-Saxons struck in England. In 1672 an authorized coinage of copper pennies, halfpennies and farthings was established. Silver farthings ceased to be coined under Edward VI. and silver halfpennies under the commonwealth.

A Mother's Retort.
Dr. Breckenridge, a well known American clergyman, and his two brothers, also of the same profession, one day paid a visit to their mother. "Do you not think, mother," said he, "that you ruled us with too rigid a rod in our boyhood? It would have been better, I think, had you used gentler methods."

The old lady straightened up and said, "Well, William, when you have raised up three as good preachers as I have, then you can talk."

Horseless Carriages in 1645.
In one of the letters of Guiliam Patin, written in 1645, the learned bibliophile says: "It is true that there is here an Englishman, the son of a Frenchman, who proposes to make carriages that will roll from Paris to Fontainebleau without horses in a day. The new machine is preparing in the Temple. If it should succeed there will be a great saving of hay and oats, which are at present extremely costly."

Those who attain any excellence commonly spend life in one common pursuit, for excellence is not gained upon easier terms.—Johnson.

A Bride's Sad Fate.
Mrs. Blifkins—I'm afraid my darter is awful unhappy with that new husband of hers.
Mrs. Gub—Do tell! Have you heard so?
Mrs. Blifkins—No, but I've seen him on the street every day since he got married, and he walks along just as chippy and independent as ever. He doesn't look subdued a bit.—New York Weekly.

Such a Dear Girl!
"Come, now," said her father after she had kissed him effusively two or three times, "what is it you want? Out with it!"
"I don't want anything," replied the dear girl. "I want to give you something."
"Indeed? What is it?"
"A son-in-law. Jack asked me to speak to you about it."—Philadelphia Press.



The Return.
"Well, sir, who are you?"
"Why, father, dear, don't you know me? I'm your prodigal sonfish."—Woman's Home Companion.

Must Be Fresh.
"See here," exclaimed the husband of the fashionable invalid, "what's the idea of the doctor coming here again today?"
"My gracious," she exclaimed petulantly, "he has come to leave my fresh medicine! You don't suppose I'd use yesterday's, do you?"—Catholic Standard and Times.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the Common Council of the City of Astoria has declared its determination and intention to improve Bond street from the west line of Sixth street to the West line of McClure's Astoria in that part of the City of Astoria as laid out and

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recorded by John McClure, and extended by Cyrus Olney.

Said improvement shall consist of removing all the old stringers, sidewalks and planking and grading the street to the established grade to the full width thereof, except the portion where wooden sidewalks are constructed, and at such places the street shall be graded from curb to curb to the established grade, or to the sub-grade so that when the street is improved it will be on the established grade. New sidewalks shall be constructed on both sides of the street and on the south side of the street from the west line of Fifth street to the west line of McClure's Astoria, and on the north side of said street from the west line of Fourth street to the east line of Third street the sidewalks shall be cement sidewalks 5 feet wide with a 2-foot park space between the sidewalk and the curb and a park space of one foot between the inside edge of the sidewalk and the property line, and on the remaining portion of the street the sidewalks shall be wooden sidewalks constructed of decking two inches in thickness. Gutters shall be constructed on both sides of the street and catch basins connecting with sewers shall be constructed in each corner and all springs and seepages shall be taken up by tiling drains and lead into the gutters.

From curb to curb the street shall be macadamized or filled in with crushed rock to the depth of twelve inches when thoroughly rolled and each layer of four inches shall be well rolled.

In matters of detail said improvement shall be constructed according to the plans and specifications therefore to be prepared by the City Surveyor.

That the costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises benefitted by said improvement, which said lots, lands and premises are as follows, to-wit: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in each of blocks 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 and lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in each of blocks 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, all in that part of the City of Astoria as laid out and recorded by John McClure and extended by Cyrus Olney in Clatsop County, Oregon.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the Common Council of the City of Astoria has declared its determination and intention to improve Duane street from the west line of Tenth street to the west line of Sixth street, excepting the crossing at the intersection of Ninth street and Duane street. Said improvement shall be made by grading said street to the established grade to the full width thereof, and from curb to curb to the sub-grade with a 12-inch crown so that the street will be on the established grade when filled in, or macadamized and by constructing a retaining wall along the property line on the north side of the street between the west line of Tenth street and the east line of Ninth street and the east line of Ninth street and the east line of Eighth street and the west line of Seventh street and the east line of Sixth street for the purpose of holding the fill in grading the sidewalk area and a fill shall be made by puddling the same in a compact form, and cement sidewalks shall be constructed 6 feet wide on each side of the street with a two-foot park space between the edge of the sidewalk and the curb, and gutters shall be constructed on each side of the street with a catch basin connecting with the sewer at each corner of the street, and the street shall be filled in and macadamized with crushed rock from curb to curb to the depth of 12 inches with a 12-inch crown in the center when thoroughly rolled.

In matters of detail said improvement shall be constructed according to the plans and specifications therefore to be prepared by the City Surveyor and general ordinance No. 1901 and any matter of construction and drainage found necessary to make the improvement safe or substantial shall be done by the contractor whether specified or not without extra charge.

That the costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises benefitted by the same which said lots, lands and premises are included in the special assessment district including all lots, lands and premises so benefitted to-wit: Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in each of blocks

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26, 27, 28 and 29; lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in each of blocks 40, 41, 42 and 43; lots 5 and 6 in block 30, and lots 3 and 4 in block 39 all in that part of the City of Astoria as laid out and recorded by John McClure in Clatsop County, Oregon.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the Common Council of the City of Astoria has declared its determination and intention to improve Irving avenue from the east line of Eighteenth street to the west line of Adair's Port of Upper Astoria as laid out and recorded by John Adair by clearing said street to its full width of all brush, shrubs and trees of less than 10 inches in diameter, which trees, shrubs and brush shall be removed by slashing the same, and when slashed, removed from said street in a good thorough and workmanlike manner.

In matters of detail said improvement shall be constructed according to the plans and specifications therefore to be prepared by the City Surveyor.

That the costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises benefitted by the same which said lots, lands and premises are included in the special assessment district including all lots, lands and premises so benefitted, to-wit:

All of blocks 46, 47, 48, 49, 50 and 51, 60, 70, 71, 72, 73 and 74; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29; 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, all in that part of the City of Astoria as laid out and recorded by John M. Skively, and generally known as Shively's Astoria, in Clatsop County, State of Oregon.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the Common Council of the City of Astoria, has declared its determination and intention to improve Bond street from the west line of Ninth street to the east line of Sixth street in the part of the City of Astoria, as laid out and recorded by John McClure, and extended by Cyrus Olney, in Clatsop County, Oregon.

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In matters of detail said improvement shall be constructed according to the plans and specifications therefore, to be prepared by the City Surveyor.

That the costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises benefitted by the same, which said lots, lands and premises are as follows, to-wit: Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in each of blocks 9, 10 and 11, and lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in each of blocks 22, 23, 24, all in that part of the City of Astoria, as laid out and recorded by John McClure and extended by Cyrus Olney, in Clatsop County, Oregon.

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